

Beaver County
Beaver, UT 84713
May 3, 2004

The Board of County Commissioners met on May 3, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. for its regularly scheduled meeting. Those present were William L. Dalton, Chairman; Mark S. Whitney, Member; Patrick R. Yardley, Member; Leo G. Kanell, Deputy Attorney; Bryan L. Harris, Commission Assistant; and Paul B. Barton, Clerk/Auditor.

Minutes of the April 5 & 19, 2004 meetings were read. It was moved by Comm. Yardley, seconded by Comm. Whitney and unanimously passed to approve the minutes.

Maureen Verhaeren, County I.T. Director, met with the Board to discuss issues related to the 911 emergency telephone system. Ms. Verhaeren reviewed changes to the surcharge tax. The tax will increase from \$.53 to \$.65 for both wired and wireless telephones. The approximate cost for the upgrade will be \$140,000. Comm. Whitney requested that Ms. Verhaeren inquire about the possibility of installing the system and being reimbursed in the future by obtaining grants. Iron County is leasing the equipment. Ms. Verhaeren will get information on grants, leasing, etc. and report back to the Board.

Kerry Monroe, from Jones & DeMille Engineering, met with the Board to discuss the funding of Phase II of the M&M Road Reconstruction. Discussion items included the makeup of the Joint Highway Committee and the funding Sub-Committee that fund rural highway construction, and funding for the project and what to do with the expected shortfall. The choices would be bid the project now, cut the project and bid, or bid the project in the fall when competition is traditionally less. It was moved by Comm. Yardley, seconded by Comm. Whitney and unanimously approved to proceed to bid, authorize the Chairman to sign the cover sheet for the plans and sign all contract documents and required letters related to right-of-way and utilities. The County reserves the right to reject all bids and rebid the project at a later date.

Michael Kanell and Kolby Bailey met with the Board for financial assistance in attending the Governor's Honors Academy. It was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to donate \$200.00 per person for a total of \$400.00.

Adrianne Whittaker met with the Board to discuss a problem with dust control on the Milford Flat. The problem exists where farms have been taken out of cultivation and causes a very serious hazard. Mr. Kanell suggested that Mrs. Whittaker get at least three people to file a nuisance action against the owner of the property.

Clarissa Kanell, Paula Jo Porter, Michael Kanell, Kjersten Adams, Marisha Farnsworth, Kaleigh Howard, Krista Fails, Jo-won Chang, Cara Limb, Rachel Sawyer and Rebecca Sawyer met with the Board to request assistance in attending the National History Fair in Washington, D.C. It was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to donate \$100.00 per student for a total of \$1100.00.

The Board discussed a request from Beaver City to assist in the chip sealing of roads on 1400 North and 1900 North. Doug Erickson was present for the discussion. It was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved that Beaver County will participate with in-kind labor and equipment if Beaver City takes ownership of the roads.

The Board discussed the disposition of surplus property at the road sheds. It was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to declare the following property as surplus and offer it for sale to the public: Two old oil distributors and three old trailers.

The Board discussed a work plan for the control of mosquitoes. The County needs to have a plan in order to apply for a grant. The following people were recommended to serve on the study committee: Mark Nelson, Don Pettit and a member of the governing body from Beaver City, Milford City and Minersville Town. Mr. Harris will pursue the program.

A public hearing on the adoption of Ordinance No. 2004-02 re: Adoption of the Code of Revised Ordinances of Beaver County, 2004 Edition was opened for comment at 2:00 p.m.

Raymond Goodwin appeared to comment in favor of adopting the business license portion of the ordinance. The hearing was closed for comment at 2:20 p.m. The business license was discussed by the Board. It was moved by Comm. Yardley, seconded by Comm. Whitney and unanimously approved to adopt Ordinance No. 2004-02. The business license will be reviewed at a later date and is not a part of the ordinance.

Raymond Goodwin met with the Board to discuss what to do with a refund of excess contributions from the Utah Retirement Systems. This involves approximately 15 to 20 employees that had employer contributions paid on discretionary income that should not have been paid. After some discussion, it was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to pay any refund received into the 401k account of each affected employee.

Rowland Yardley met with the Board to discuss a problem he is having with the BLM in the western end of the county near the Nevada border on a road. Mr. Yardley will work with Mr. Harris to try to take care of the problem in order to make it easier to get his equipment in for work on the private property near White Rock.

Rob Adams met with the Board to give an update on the status of the economic development activities with respect to the transportation industry. Comm. Dalton will attend a meeting on May 5, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. in Cedar City.

The new retirement rates to begin July 1, 2004 were discussed. The new rates have increased as follows:

	Old	New
Public Employees	9.62%	11.09%
Public Safety	16.24	19.08

After discussing the issue, it was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to set the total retirement contribution for each employee at 19.08%. The issue will be reviewed during the 2005 budget process.

It was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution No. 2004-05 - A Resolution Appointing Administrative Control Board Members for Beaver County Special Service District #1.

It was moved by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Yardley and unanimously approved to authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution No. 2004-06 - A Resolution Appointing Administrative Control Board Members for Beaver County Special Service District #2.

Bills on file were approved for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED _____
Chairman

Clerk/Auditor
